



Lunenburg Housing Authority

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June 29, 2009

Chairman Thomas Alonzo
and Members of the Board of Selectmen
P.O. Box 135
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Dear Chairman and Members of the Board:

The Lunenburg Housing Authority respectfully requests that the town of Lunenburg waive any and all permit fees for the upcoming renovation project at the Pearl Brook apartments on White Street.

The state is contributing nearly \$1.5 million which may not be enough to complete this project. While we are searching for additional funding to complete this project, your assistance could prove to be most critical. Your help will be the difference between being able to complete this project in its entirety and having to eliminate some of the much needed repairs.

If you have any questions or need further information, you may contact me at 978-537-5300, x17.

Sincerely,

Eugene J. Capoccia
Executive Director

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cc: State Senator Jennifer Flanagan
State Representative Jennifer Benson
Lunenburg Housing Authority Chair John Romano

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Kerry Speidel

From: msauvageau@lunenburgonline.com
To: Kerry Speidel
Cc: toma@net1plus.com
Subject: Pearl Brook Apartments Permit fee's

Kerry, Please be advised that I do not support the waiving of any building permit fees for the renovation of Pearl Brook Apartments on White St. Since I am shorthanded with the budget cut for the assistants line item, the fact that inspections will still need to take place and that the project will be put out to bid, so the only one that benefits in the fee waiver is the builder, I cannot support the fee waiver. The fee for the permit could be close to \$10,000. While this money will go into the general fund, it could be argued that it could go into the building dept budget, or at least would supplement the reduction of the assistants line item (not that that is going to happen). I think you see my point. In addition, if we waive this fee, it could be an argument for the developer of the Primary School project to request a waiver also. In essence, the town gains no benefit by waiving the fee, but the building dept and the town will carry the burden of the project without any compensation. The town needs the revenue.

Thanks, Mike